

## **RESOLUTION 06-2007**

### **DISTRIBUTION OF COUNTY HARD-ROCK MINE TRUST ACCOUNT TO SCHOOLS**

**WHEREAS**, §15-37-117(1)(e), MCA, requires that the governing body of Jefferson County establish a county hard-rock mine trust account; and

**WHEREAS**, money received by a county pursuant to MCA §7-6-2225 must remain in the hard-rock mine trust account and may not be appropriated by the governing body until:

- (A) A mining operation has permanently ceased all mining-related activity; or
- (B) The number of persons employed full-time in mining activities by the mining operation is less than one-half of the average number of persons employed full-time in mining activities by the mining operation during the immediately preceding 5-year period.

If circumstances of (A) or (B) occur, the governing body of the County shall allocate at least one-third of the funds proportionally to affected high school districts and elementary school districts in the county; and

**WHEREAS**, Montana Tunnels, a mine located near Jefferson City has undergone a closure where the number of full-time employees reached an average of less than one-half of the average number of people employed full-time in mining activities by the operation during the preceding 5-year period; and

**WHEREAS**, the allocation for the school districts totaled \$857,217.07 and the County voted to allocate \$142,782.93 of the County's allocation to bring the total school disbursement to \$1 million.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners as follows:

One (1) Million dollars from the metal mine funds shall be distributed to the following affected high schools and elementary schools in Jefferson County:

Boulder Elementary	\$310,000 (31%)
Jefferson High School	\$310,000 (31%)
Clancy Elementary	\$310,000 (31%)
Basin Elementary	\$70,000 ( 7%)

**DATED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.

**ATTEST:**

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**BONNIE RAMEY  
CLERK AND RECORDER**

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**KEN WEBER, CHAIR**

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**TOMAS E. LYTHGOE, COMMISSIONER**

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**CHUCK NOTBOHM, COMMISSIONER**